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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: FCC No. 03-16

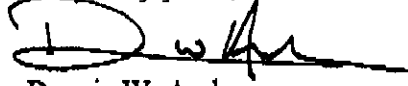
Dear Chairman Powell and Commissioners:

As the former Mayor of the City of Detroit, I have long been active in insuring that the citizens of the City of Detroit have access to high quality telecommunication services at reasonable prices. I am writing you today to urge that you approve SBC's application to provide in-region long distance services in Michigan.

A strong, vibrant and competitive telecommunications marketplace is essential to economic growth and prosperity. SBC is not only a major employer and strong community participant in Detroit and other urban areas of the state, I believe SBC has demonstrated its commitment to fair and open competition that will benefit all of the citizens of the State of Michigan.

The citizens of the City of Detroit and the State of Michigan deserve to have access to the telecommunication service providers of their choice. SBC's entry in the long distance market in Michigan will further consumers' interests by enhancing competition for long distance and the bundling of telecommunication services.

Very truly yours,


Dennis W. Archer

Greater Hardin Association

310 North Center Ave.
Hardin, MT. 59034

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Ms., Marlene H. Dortch
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 - 12th Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: NEW(LPFM); Hardin, MT
Greater Hardin Association
Facility ID #134773
BNPL-20010614ABM

Dear Ms.Dortch,

In response to a letter you received recently from:

Richard Solberg
P.O. Box 230
Hardin, MT. 59034

It is my feeling the letter has no standing as it was not submitted within the 30 day time period provided by the Commission for that purpose.

Even though I feel the letter has no standing I will address the issues Mr. Solberg stated in his letter.

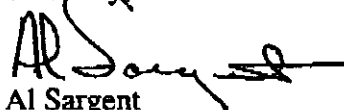
- 1) The Greater Hardin Association has been in existence for more than 5 years. Its purpose has been to help promote the Custer's Last Stand Reenactment, which is produced by the Hardin Area Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture. The production and its associated activities was started for the Chamber of Commerce by me to provide a means for the Indian and non Indian community in the county to work together on an educational project. The association was incorporated at the request of and in accordance with Micheal Megan who has been my contact during the final phase of this application. It is my understanding it is not a requirement to be incorporated for the application, but that it makes the process easier.
- 2) The Greater Hardin Association did not profess to being an educational institution. Following is the section in question. *Educational Institutions and Organizations. The applicant certifies that, for a period of at least two years prior to the date of this application, it has existed as an educational institution or organization and has been physically headquartered, has*

had a campus, or has had seventy-five percent of its board members residing within 10 miles of the coordinates of the proposed transmitting antenna. The Greater Hardin Association is an organization with "Seventy-five percent of its board members residing within 10 miles of the coordinates of the proposed transmitting antenna."

- 3) The Greater Hardin Association is a non-profit corporation registered in the state of Montana as evidenced by the application. As was stated when filing ammendments a federal ID number is being applied for.
- 4) See the response to item 1).
- 5) The Original Briefs is not, "Subject to the Commission's broadcast ownership restrictions" so the fact that I publish a daily free information sheet in Big Horn County has no relevance.
- 6) The fact that the telephone numbers supplied on the applications and ammendments are my home or the office of The Original Briefs is simply a means of contacting me for any questions concerning the application. I know of no regulation prohibiting that.

Big Horn County Montana has be devoid of any facilities to provide immediate information and educational information since 1985. As is evidenced by the article in The Original Briefs, that is refered to by Mr Solberg, The Greater Hardin Association, if granted a license to operate a LPFM will provide much needed news, information, and educational services. These service, as is stated in the article and the application will be provided to the Indian and not Indian community. The station also intends to broadcast Amber Alerts. Mr. Solberg also stated in his letter "Mr. Sargent has not demonstrated any other means of supporting the operation of the proposed LPFM station." The information was not a requirement of the application and was not provided.

Sincerely,



Al Sargent
Greater Hardin Association

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